Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Company	Remarks
1.	M/s. Easy Call Communications (India) Pvt. Ltd. LB/5 Ansal Bhavan, 16. Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi-110 001.	LOI accepted & Licence Agreement signed on 8th July 1994.
2.	M/s. India Telecomp, Telecomp House, L-12, South Extension-II, New Delhi-110 049.	LOI Accepted
3.	M/s. Hutchison Max Telecom, 12th Floor, Devika Tower, 6 Nehru Place, New Delhi-110 019.	-do-
4.	M/s. Mobile Communications Ltd., 505, New Delhi House, 27, Bnarakhamba Road, New Dslhi-110 001.	LOI not accepted.

Privatisation of Portal Services

1895. SHRI YERRA *NARAYANA* SWAMY; Will the Miniser on COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to Mate:

(a) whether Government have takan • decision to privation come portion of

(b) if so the doing thereof

(e) whether Government proposal to utilise the services of the large number of the unemployed youth of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Dew not arise.

(e) and (d) Yes Sir. Tha sehemes offering job opportunity for unemployed youths are in operation for sale of stamp and departmental stationeries in areas Where Post Office cannot be opened due to financial and other constraints These sehemes are.

(i) *Licensed stamp vendors :* The Stamp Vendors are the licenses of the Poet Office and their work is limited to sale of postal stamps and stationery on a fixed commission. The commission for sale of stamps at present in 5 per cent for normal areas and 5—10 per cent for hilly/tribal areas. Ths Stamp Vendors can sell any amount of stamps and stationery without any restrictions.

(ii) *Post Shop: Facility is* now available to have suitable use of space in selected post offices on payment of appropriate licence fee for providing STD/ISD and Fax service as also sale of stationery, Greeting Cards, pasting materials, books and magazines.

Telephones out of order In Delhi

1896. SHRI MAHESHWAR SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to stats:

(a) the number of telephones which remained out of order for more than a week during the last two months in Shakti Nagar Telephone Exchange in Delhi;

(b) the amount of loss caused to the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) as a result thereof;

(c) the reasons for not setting the tele phones *in* order within a period of one week; and

(d) the action taken to ensure that the telephone users are not unduly harassed and put to inconvenience as a result of delay in setting their telephones in order?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) 25 Telephones remained out of order for more than one week.

(b) Estimated loss on this account is Rs. 1300/- approximately due to cbate in rental. The loss due to non-usage of telephone during the period cannot be estimated.

(c) These telephones were affected by cable breakdown which takes time in rectification. Also after the clearance of cable breakdown scattered faults affected the telephones leading to delayed restora tion.

(d) Cable breakdowns are attended round the clock tinder the direct super vision of officers and monitored at highest level of management. All possible efforts are made to set right the faulty tele phones as speedily as possible.

विदेशी कम्पनियों और दूरसंचार विभाग के बीच समझौते

1897. **मौलाना मोबेदुल्ला खान मजमी :**

क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दूर संचार विभाग ने पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान और आज की तारीख तक विदेशों और विदेशी कपनियों के साथ अनेक समझौते किये हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्योरा क्या है; और

(ग) इन समझौतों के नियम और शर्तें क्या हैं ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) ब्यौरे निम्नलिखित हैं :

—दूरसंचार के क्षेत्र में सहयोग के लिए भारत सरकार और कुवैत सरकार के बीच समझौता—ज्ञापन ।

—भारत गणराज्य तथा नामीबिया गणराज्य के बीच समझौता ज्ञापन ।

—नई दिल्ली में 24–26 नवबर, 92 को आयोजित डाक व दूरसचार पर भारत-फ्रांसीसी जोंटोरिबल [illegible] की बैठक की सयुक्त विज्ञप्ति ।

—दूरसंचार के क्षेत्र में सहयोग के लिए भारत गणराज्य और उजबेकिस्तान गणराज्य के बीच समझौता ज्ञापन ।

(ग) उपरोक्त में दूरसंचार के क्षेत्र में पारस्परिक सहमति के आधार पर निम्नलिखित गतिविधियों के द्वारा घनिष्ठ सहयोग की परिकल्पना की गई है :

—पारस्परिक दौरे और विशेषज्ञों का आदान-प्रदान ।

—सूचना और प्रकाशन का आदान-प्रदान ।

—संयुक्त अनुसंधान और विकास संबंधी गतिविधियां ।

—संयुक्त उद्यम लगाने की संभावना ।

—संयुक्त अध्ययनों, गोष्ठियों इत्यादि का आयोजन ।